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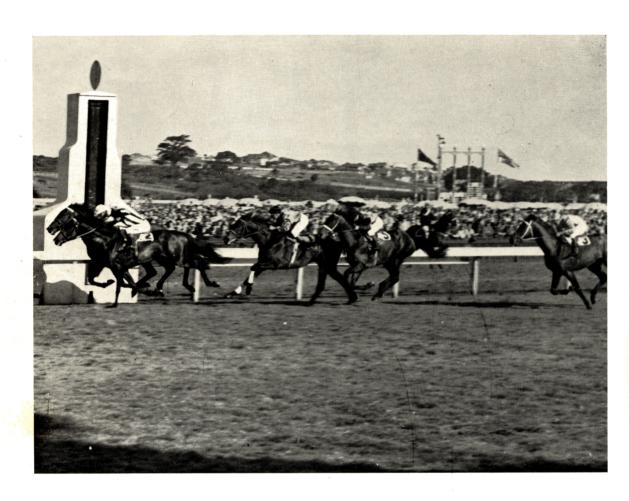
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PICTURE OF THE MONTH



Finish Flush with Drama

Electro leading Somerset Fair and Prince Cortauld past the post in that order in the Chelmsford Stakes, highlight of Tattersall's Club meeting.

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TOM PRESCOTT left his native England for Australia 57 years ago and next month he will return for the first time. Tom plans a tour of the Continent, sipping sherry in Spain, Rhine wines in the Rhine Valley, champagne in Rheims, Guinness' stout in Dublin and McCallum's whisky in Edinburgh and London.

AMONG regular racegoers is
Jack Robinson, who has acquired over the years the safety
device of never chasing lost
money in a big way. This
should be every punter's philosophy. Think back over the
fellows who have gone broke
and you will have the answer.
Jack has the further advantage
of enjoying the sport for the
sport's sake.

CLUB STORY

Told without prejudice: The priest was warning Casey of the Day of Judgment. "All will be there," said his reverence, "and all will be judged on his merits."

Casey thought a while, then:
"Will all the Hibernians and
all the Black Orangemen that
ever existed be there?"

Having been so assured, Casey put in: "I'll bet there'll be no judging on the first day."

AT this time of writing: C. L. Parker, and D. G. Collins both at Lewisham Private Hospital.

GLAD welcome on all sides to Ted Thorne on his reappearance after a spell in hospital. He is remembered as one of the best R.U. forwards of his era and for his sporting approach to the game.

EVERYONE will wish Lionel Israel fulfilment of that which he is seeking: to get Beilbeys back to his early form. He seemed to have had a champion in the making; then the unaccountable happened. Good sportsmen deserve good horses and good horses run sportingly are for the good of the racing game.

BERT BOWSER, who comes down from Newcastle for important Sydney meetings, was a dashing bookmaker in his day, and before that a dashing footrunner. Chasing the odds as a punter he reveals surprising pace nowadays.

GEORGE EPSTEIN returned to settle in Sydney.

EDITORIAL: So This is Spring

THIS is the season of magic, Spring; burgeoning and blossoming in meadow and garden after the winter hibernation. It sets the scene, too, for parade of the Spring candidates and looses that Spring fever which does not abate until after the running of the Melbourne Cup. Spring is splendour. The gloss and the glow return to everything everywhere. It is intoxication, too. You don't know why, but you feel better and happier as if sharing the snap of that sap transmitted to plant and tree; a reinvigora-

ting refill. Maybe it's fancy, but the wonder is wrought.

This Spring the world outlook is better than for many seasons. Man's power to destroy has caused warmongers to pause, affrighted. We may attend our Spring meeting without experiencing a clammy feeling as of Mars breathing down our necks.

What the grave men of the world need most is for the Spirit of Spring to enter their calloused hearts. Here's hoping.

SPRING SONG

IT'S on the air everywhere, Spring. You get a feeling, ting-a-ling. The urge returns to have a fling. The old and young both want to dance, and sportive lambkins keen to prance on meadows, make the old-time shimmy—shake more than negroid ballet fake; the while a magpie, up above, in duet with a gentle dove rings clear. A Jackass on a lofty bough outlaughs the bellowraising cow . . .

Ah, hear the joybells ringing, tidings gladsome bringing. Care, it doesn't mean a thing. For this is Spring!

DOUG LOTHERINGTON and Gerry Tayler scrambled through lunch to give extra time to a décisive struggle with cues in which the cloth fortunately escaped scars in the ardor of battle.

BILL CURTIS is one who takes the Queensland sun regularly in season, and he is a walking advertisement for its tonic qualities.

G. H. LEVEY and A. Browning back again after returning from abroad.

W. G. ROBSON on a visit from Canada.

W. C. (Bill) ALLEN, on a world tour, writes greetings to club friends. Bill is on a business mission, but has found time for the races and will recite them for publication here on his return.

CONTRIBUTIONS, particularly personal paragraphs, invited from members.

Clubman's Corner

GEORGE TANCRED'S philosophy would make for better men and a better world: "To do other than the good deed is not worth while. Life is in terms of time only a hop, step and jump."

LES HARRISON drank on August 8 to anniversaries: His 47th year with "The Farmer and Settler," of which he is now advertising manager; and the day he hopped over with the A.I.F. in France on what was to be the victory push against Germany. Les has lively memories of boxing about the turn of the century and will tell us something of them soon.

TOURNAMENTS

PLEASANT billiards and snooker tournaments were brought pleasantly to a close with the presentation of trophies by the Chairman (John Hickey) at a cocktail party in the club.

The Chairman said that the games had been played in the sporting spirit, typical of the club, and had served a good purpose in bringing members together as players and spectators.

Billiards results: J. O'Neill,1; A. J. Chown, 2; B. M. Lane, 3; T. B. Dwyer, 4.

Snooker: Hans Robertson, 1; E. A. Halcroft, 2; C. H. Oswald-Sealey, 3; A. J. Chown, 4.

Snooker Championship: E. A. Westhoff, 1; F. Vockler, 2.

IN St. Vincent's Private Hospital: Arthur Ingham, former chairman of the club. . . Joe Ford out of hospital . . . Arthur Langley confined to home after hospital . . .

REGULAR visitor at the Club:
Peter Meagher, retired storekeeper, of Temora . . . R. C.
(Bert) Brown and business associate Bill Stiffe meet occasionally for a leisure break in the
club.

DOWN from New Guinea: H.
T. Keinzle . . . Club Treasurer J. A. Roles returned from N.Z. trip . . . Bout with 'flu: Committeemen Alf Collins, Donold Wilson, Frank Carberry.

DANIEL CURRIE is home after six weeks in St. Vincent's private hospital. There he was nursed occasionally by Sister Leone Lachal, daughter of S.T.C. Secretary Lachal. Dan and he lived a few doors from each other in a Melbourne suburb in schooldays and had not met for 35 years.

RETURNED from sojourn in Queensland, committeeman Frank Carberry . . . Maurice Persson just returned from U.S. business trip . . . Geo. Cooper (with wife) on business trip to U.K. and U.S.

DATES TO REMEMBER

New Year's Eve Ball: December 31.

Clubman's Corner

RILL KEIGHERY and Bill Reardon were reported in a newspaper to have agreed on a "winner shouts" drink. Neither backed the winner, or even a placed horse, but (according to the newspaper) came to a verdict by "a process of elimination." How, you may work out for yourself.

A CCORDING to report, the bowls challenge, Doug Webster (N.Z.) and Joe Harris versus Ken Ranger and Fred Vockler, at Double Bay, was "a titanic struggle"; after which everybody drank up and paid up. The Webster-Harris combination proved too strong.

ES HAIGH was playing at his top and Cec Chambers below form in their snooker clash. Cec had several in-offs. W. I. Hill interjected: "Boy, you're playing snooker, not billiards", and added: "Really, I want to be helpful."

WITH both opponents in secret training, the billiards tussle between Doug Lotherington and Vic Pearson promises to be a boomer. Spools to the victor.

EN HALEY, rising regrets he can no longer go into the paddock on his property, catch a horse and ride bareback, as in other years. Now he has to travel by sulky. It's sure, but not so exciting, Len says.

SAMMY BLOCK had the wind behind him in recent weeks. He shared £1,000 and £600 in two lotteries. Better than punting, Sammy said.

VERWHELMING hospitality splendid racing and organisation. Those impressions were borne away from Newcastle Jockey Club's Cup meeting by representatives of this club: Committeemen George Chiene and Bill Sellen and Secretary Dave Dawson. They thank President Jim McLauchlin, his committeemen and Secretary George Wells for a happy occasion.

ATTENTION!

Next Dancing and Concert Night in the Dining Room, Saturday, October 22, commencing 6.30 p.m. Cover charge 5/per person. Reservations at club

Happy Birthday Greetings

An old greeting, but ever new: Good health, good luck and a toast to you!

Though your days be many or, maybe, few, what else may fail you, what else you rue, count us among the tried and the true.

SEPTEMBER		27 J. S. Irwin	29 G. J. Tupling		
1 Percy E. Smith R. P. Miller	Bert M. Clark E. A. O'Halloran	S. Stein F. A. McCure 28 E. A. Nettlefold	R. E. Fortescue Walter Jones		
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Members are invited to notify the Secretary of the date of their Birthday.

LIFE MEMBER PASSES



The late Mr. Bartley

MICK BARTLEY'S untimely death in August came as a shattering shock to the club community. Outwardly there was nothing when he was last among us, greeting and being greeted cordially, to suggest his days were shortening.

Perhaps he was spared invaldism. That never would have suited one of his temperament and companionable qualities. Still it was hard for the call to have come at a stage when life held so much.

He served as a committeeman of this club from 4th May, 1933, until 7th May, 1941, with devotion to office. His election to life membership was merited.

Typical of Mick's character was his comment on a decision at the British Empire Games in Sydney in 1938. He was sitting in the front seats of Sydney Cricket Ground with a fellow member of this club. They were in direct line with the finish of a distance race.

Two runners drew away from the field at the turn and fought

out the finish. One was ahead of the other by shoulders and chest but he was placed second.

"What do you think of that?"
Mick's fellow member put in.
"The verdict has gone to the wrong man." Mick answered:
"I think you are right, but we should accept the judge's verdict as a sporting principle."

Next day a Sydney newspaper picture showed the runner placed second winning clearly. However, Mick Bartley had made a good point; a tribute paid by his fellow member in regretting the passing of a sportsman.

CONDOLENCES

The death (suddenly) of Clem Fader was regretted by his fellow members of this club, by the A.J.C. and S.T.C. membership, and by his large circle of friends in the commercial world. Clem was a worthy man in every respect — kindly, considerate, helpful, and to have his friendship was to possess riches that could not be assessed in terms of money. To his family, our sympathy.

We regret to announce the death of the wife of Club member Sol Goldhill. She was a member of the Harris family, widely known and respected in Sydney since the great city of to-day was comparatively a town.

DIED in England in recent times, George Smith, remarkable footballer and athlete. Bow legged, he combined speed with determination playing on the left wing for N.Z. He accompanied here the N.Z. team of 1897 and was a member of the original All Blacks (1905). He returned to England to play league and was going strong until the break of World War I. Indeed he was of the Oldham team which beat the Australian team of 1911-12.

TRIBUTE

STAN CRICK, well known and well liked in this club, put up a gallant fight for life over many years, such was his zest for living. The sad circumstances was that death should have struck while he was preparing to return after visiting the Mayo clinic in the U.S.

His body was brought back for burial in the Sydney of his commercial accomplishments, his sporting successes and his splendid public service.

He was a breeder of thoroughbred horses and of cattle, and raced in partnership with his wife and the late Charles



The late Mr. Crick

Munro. Best to carry the colours of his wife and himself was Mosaic, winner of two Sydney Cups.

Stan Crick came up by merit in a competitive domain. Success did not inflate his ego. As Lord Mayor of Sydney he brought dignity to the office and enterprise to the administration.

A funeral service in St. Philip's Church was attended by the Chairman of this Club (John Hickey) and members of the committee.

Clubman's Corner

CLYDE COOLEY has been elected president of the Wine Producers' Association in succession to Harry Davies. Clyde has been associated with the industry for 28 years. He is now manager of Orlando Wines and is a member of the Australian Wine Board.

Clyde has been a senior vicepresident of the Australian Wine Producers' Association for the past six years and has been a delegate to the Federal Viticultural Council of Australia for nearly ten years.

IN his younger days Clyde was a better-than-average horseman. He still takes an interest in horses—those who race with colors up. He is a member of the A.J.C. During a Wine Week held in Sydney some years ago Clyde took a number of delegates to a Randwick meeting and picked the programme of six races for his friends.

CONGRATULATIONS to club members W. H. Collins and F. C. Hidden on their appointment respectively to the Supreme Court Bench and the District Court Bench.

RETURNED from overseas:
Jack Allen who was a
patient in the Mayo Clinic
(U.S.); S. M. Norton (Rural
Bank) and H. R. Gough.

Dave Mackie, past president of Newcastle Tattersall's Club, was presented this month with a grandson by his son Bill and his wife.

MYSTERY HORSE

AMID tortuons discussions on the ethics of racing, the scratching of horses, secrets of stables, tips "straight from the horse's mouth," and so forth, I count myself fortunate on having met one perfectly honest owner, at least. Not to beguile



the great betting public, on the approach of Metropolitan day, with idle rumours about sensational trials against the clock, with tales of tremendous commissions launched simultaneously in various States, this gentleman has obliged me with a

sketch of his mystery-horse, Rock Cake, with this accompanying note: "Good judges may discern at a glance that the great Rock Cake—which is in everybody's mouth—is in first rate racing trim, is trained to the moment. Still, with a full appreciation of duty an honest owner owes to the punting public, I declare, here and now, that Rock Cake is not expected to win the Metropolitan."

Footnote: Horse drawn by Jack Quayle ("Perce the Punter" in "Truth.").

The views expressed by husbands in their homes are not necessarily those of the management.

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Every little American boy has a chance to be President when he grows up —it's just one of the risks he has to take.

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Worry never robs tomorrow of its sorrow: it only saps to-day of its strength.

* SPRING SONG OF A SENTIMENTAL MOTORIST

I AM steering down the highway where the signpost points to Spring,

While the tireless engine twitters like a songbird on the wing Wheeling in the blue appealing sky—and, for the love of living, Giving forth, like Pan's pipes pealing, sweet, fond notes, their rapture stealing

To my heart betimes, while beating, tender-toned, a gracious greeting

As the joy bells merry ring down the highway bound for Spring.

I am weary of the winter, for its wanton winds blows surly,
I would hie to sunlit places far beyond the hurly-burly
Of the city chill and sleeting, there to find this genial greeting
'Mid the green buds' tender bursting—thirsting for the Sun
God's blessing

And the soft, warm winds caressing. I am not concerned, or heeding

Captious traffic cops, but speeding—now, at last I have my fling Down the highway bound for Spring!

-CARO

Ted Forrest Calls Up Sporting Memories

Ted Forrest is known to sportsmen as a thorough going sportsman in all States of the Commonwealth. No attempt has been made in this sketch to cover his experiences, space being far too limited. The object has been to traverse briefly the more memorable.

the acquaintance of one who was to remain a life-long friend: Charlie Wheeler, one of Australia's foremost trainers in

WHAT is it that is not turned out from formula as, say soap, that is not manipulated on the Stock Exchange, or made favorite at Randwick by weight of money? It is personality.

He (or she) who has it starts life ahead of scratch in the race for most sought of the prizes: Success.

Some are disposed to associate success with luck. There are lucky persons, as we have seen on the racecourse, but their personality might be of minus rating.

Personality is probably the most potent force in human affairs. It manifests itself often through friendliness. He whom we acclaim "a good fellow," and find others in agreement, he whose companionship is sought, has personality.

In that category is Ted Forrest, subject of this personal survey. He has made the grade in business, but we are concerned here with the man as we meet him in club and on the course: Ted Forrest, the sportsman.

He was born in the Mt. Lofty Ranges in South Australia and was attracted at an early age to the sport of racing, because of family affiliations. He had ambitions to become a jockey, but avoirdupois had him beaten from barrier rise.

In boyhood Ted Forrest made



TED FORREST SURVEYS THE SCENE AT RANDWICK
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Melbourne Cup Memories

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other seasons, and still in the land of the living at 87. Since he was run over by a car three years ago the veteran is finding it hard to move about but his spirit is unfaltering.

Charlie Wheeler trained Tulkeroo, which in the one year, 1908, ran second to Iolaire in the Caulfield Cup, second to Lord Nolan in the Melbourne Cup, and second in the Australian Cup.

Charlie also trained Patrobas and The Parisian, winners of the Melbourne Cup. Patrobas also won the Victoria Derby.

Ted regards as his most disappointing experience the beating of Shepherd King by Sasanof in the Melbourne Cup. The race was postponed from Tuesday until Saturday because of the condition of the track.

Had the race been run on the Tuesday, Sasanof could not have started. He had pulled up lame after running in the Hotham Handicap on the previous Saturday. Harry Chaffe, however, got Sasanof to the post on the following Saturday. Ted had the two Shepherd Kings to win him £1,000, a lot of money for him in those days.

Ted has missed only five Melbourne cups since 1908. He rates as the finest performance that of Peter Pan as a three-year-old. Coming down on his chest at the half-mile, the colt got up to score brilliantly. Riding him was Billy Duncan.

Peter Pan's second Melbourne Cup win as a five-yearold, carying 9.10, was another great performance. In one of the wettest days ever at Flemington, the course was churned up by a hurdle race and other races preceding the Cup. Darby Munro rode him in the better going in the middle of the track and covered 100 yards more than had Peter Pan been raced on the rails.

Another great Cup performance was that of Comic Court when he went to the front with his big weight to run a record 3.19½.

Still another was Windbag's defeat of Manfred, regarded as Australia's greatest three-year-old.

Memorable also were the clashes of Artilleryman and Richmond Main their dead-heat in the A.J.C. Derby, followed by Artilleryman's win in the Melbourne Cup.

Old Rowley Packet

On the advice of his old friend, Joe Matthews, Ted Forrest backed old Rowley for the Melbourne Cup, getting 100 to 1. He gave the tip to Tasmanian friends. When one of them saw Old Rowley doing his preliminary, he exclaimed: "He's in the wrong race. The Steeplechase is the next race."

Ted names Darby Munro as the greatest jockey in his experience; Billy Duncan, best of the lightweights, and Hughie Cairns (at home on flat or over the sticks) as the greatest allrounder. Bobbie Lewis was among the great old-timers. The greatest horse: Phar Lap.

Sentimental memory: Ted suggested to Joe Matthews that he retain a filly by Bourbon from Anne, bred at Joe's stud. As all stock had to be auc-

Foot of Next Column

CLEAN SWEEP

Our latest Davis Cup victory is the first occasion that Australia, playing as Australia, has beaten U.S.A. 5-0 in a challenge round.

When, 46 years ago at Sydney, Norman Brookes and Anthony Wilding beat U.S.A. 5-0, they represented Australasia. New Zealand shared with Australia that cup success against America's M.E. McLoughlin and M. H. Long.

The only other challenge round "clean sweep" by Australasia over U.S.A. occurred two years later at Christchurch.

Norman Brookes beat B. C. Wright and McLoughlin in the singles and, with A. W. Dunlop, took the doubles from Wright and McLoughlin.

Rodney Heath beat W. A. Larned on the first day but received a walk-over from Wright on the third day.

Until Australia's latest win, the last occasion that U.S.A. had lost a challenge round 5-0 was in 1935, when Great Britain was represented by F. J. Perry and H. W. Austin against J. D. Budge and W. L. Allison in the singles and by G. P. Hughes and C. R. Tuckey against Allison and J. van Ryn in the doubles.

That English triumph was at Wimbledon.

tioned on Joe's death, Ted bought the filly for his wife. They wished to name it Rosebud, pet name for a granddaughter. As Rosebud was the name of an English classic winner and, therefore, unavailable, they chose One Rose, which became crippled after showing much promise and which will go to the stud this season. Ted and his wife trust that the mating will produce for them a really good one.

Historic Chelmsford Stakes:

A Flashback

By John Schofield

In its history of 60 years the Chelmsford Stakes has been won by almost every horse of note. It ranks among the top weight-for-age races of Australia.

THIS year the Chelmsford Stakes has its diamond jubilee — 60 years of uninterrupted progress towards topranking in Australia's racing calendar.

Begun in 1895, it was first known as the Hampden Stakes, a name it enjoyed until 1902.

Then for six years it was the Rawson Stakes; in 1909 it was known as the Chelmsford Stakes and the name has been retained since then.

Obviously the intention was to call the race after the ruling Governors of the State.

No one knows why early practice was not followed and the new name changed after Lord Chelmsford's term of office ended.

But it was a happy idea to leave the name as it was; constant changing tends to lower dignity of a race, and the Chelmsford Stakes as we now know it should not be made to lose dignity.

Weight-for-age racing is the very life blood of the turf. Without it carnival meetings would lose a great deal of their glamour.

Coming as it does midway in the racing prefacing the spring meeting at Randwick, the Chelmsford has always been the launching platform for the spring stars. Time and again it has given the pointer to the weight-for-age supremacy of the Spring campaign.

Gloaming won it in 1918 when he was a maiden galloper. In fact he had not contested a race in his life. The maximum allowance was claimed for him. His success assured for him the Derby win.

Eleven years later a comparatively unknown three-year-old, Phar Lap, ran against the mightly Mollison.

Mighty Phar Lap

To be true, Phar Lap had won a race—an unimportant two-year-old event late in the season at Rosehill. Early in the spring Phar Lap had run fourth in the Warwick Stakes at Warwick Farm, but not all had recognised in his display

sufficient merit to brand him the outstanding three-year-old of his year.

Phar Lap was beaten by Mollison, but the form was immediately accepted as ranking Phar Lap among the great, and once more it proved a sound measuring stick.

Ten years later Beau Vite gave a glimpse of what he had in store when he was second to the outstanding New Zealand galloper Defaulter.

In 1941 Beau Vite won the race with the maximum penalty bringing his weight to 9.11. Rimveil and Bernborough were others to win with this huge impost.

The question of penalties was always a sore point with owners of the top-class horses.

The Chelmsford Stakes was from its inception a race run at w.f.a. with penalties and allowances. Those conditions re-

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mained until 1949 when the penalty clauses were eliminated and the present scale of allowances substituted. Bernborough, in fact, was the last horse to win with 9.11.

It would be purposeless to run back from the inception of the Chelmsford Stakes. But there are many people who go racing to-day who recall the race of 1922 when Beauford beat Gloaming with David third. There was a trio if you like.

The following year David, again with 9.11, had to play second fiddle to the great New Zealander Rapine.

Heroic beat Gloaming the following year, and Heroic's rival, Windbag, won on the year after that.

Then came the reign of Limerick, the grand New Zealander who endeared himself to Australian racing crowds.

For three years Limerick held sway, firstly as a three-year-old (the year Rampion beat him in the Derby); then as a fouryear-old and again as a fiveyear-old.

A run of three successive wins was not repeated until 1950, '51 and '52' when Delta accomplished the feat, beginning as a four-year-old.

Delta was truly a remarkable racehorse. He went from strength to strength, always making sufficient improvement to deal with the extra weight allotted him in handicaps.

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Derby Day Discussion

(Written by a Member)

ON the eve of the Derby in other years I offended, for the moment, an English gentleman—one of those typical, insular English gentlemen, the sort that doesn't acclimatise.

"Well," he said, with an air, "we at Home will be running tomorrow the world's classic, the great English Darby." "The what?" I ventured innocently. "The Darby," he repeated. "Don't you follow: D-E-R-B-Y." "Oh! quite, quite," I put in gently, "just so, of course, as you said, the Derby"-pronouncing it our way. "Not at all," the Englishman rejoined, reddening, "the Darby."

"Huh!" I rejoined, "Darby—more Americanisation!"

He swung on his heel, mortally offended, walked a few paces, then returned, laughing, like the good sportsmen I have found English gentlemen—good, insular English gentlemen. "I discover," he said, "that you are joking. However, believe me when I tell you that there are some things that we at Home do not consider fit subjects for jest—one is Royalty; the other is the Derby. Now, will you join me in a drink?"

While we engaged the spirit -Scottish blend, which many good Englishmen favor-I said: "Well, here's to the spirit of the Lord Derby who suggested, but didn't win, the first Derby!" My friend took it on himself to respond: "I thank you," he said. "It's good to go back, even in memory, to those days, the days of the twelfth Lord Derby, who, as he dined on the night of May 14, 1779, at "Lambers Oaks," at Woodmansterne, by Epsom

Town, suddenly decided that it would be good fun to run a race for three-year-old fillies. He had done much the same a year before—the first Oaks that ever were—and it had been good fun. Why not another? Thus the Derby was born."

Whether the A.J.C. Derby winner, Prince Humphrey, is himself or Cragsman-passed in recently in N.Z. at £20-is a circumstance compared with the Bend Or argument that shook England in the Derby of 1880-Bend Or, the horse of which the Duke of Westminster declared to a would-be purchaser from America: "There is not enough money in the U.S.A. to buy Bend Or." Robert the Devil, a wonderhorse of the time, was in front about two strides from the winning post when Archer, with a herculean effort, seemed to lift Bend Or past the post, a winner.

THE HISTORY

Mr. J. Wentworth Day, prominent English turf writer, has written the history of that race. Several weeks later the rumor was abroad that Bend Or might be disqualified, because he was not Bend Or but, really, Tadcaster, a colt which had become mixed with Bend Or when they were being transferred from Eaton, the Duke of Westminster's place, to Newmarket, thence to Russley.

The owner of Robert the Devil laid a formal objection with the Epsom stewards, and produced a stud groom, who had been discharged from Eton, his son, and two other employees of the Duke of Westminster, all of whom testified to the story. The appeal was dismissed.



THE CHAIRMAN JOHN HICKEY

WHO was there or, rather, who was not there? All the regulars showed up in the Official Stand, and crowded was the scene in Paddock, Leger and Flat. The picture was reminiscent of Derby Day.

THE official luncheon, at which official hosts were the Chairman (John Hickey) and the Treasurer (John Roles), was a capacity house; all to the good as this is a get-together occasion on which members meet friends of the club and all realise they have an affinity in the Sport of Kings.

On that score, we appreciate our long-established friendship with the A.J.C. as well as the welcome extended us at racing headquarters—"a tradition", as Chairman A. G. Potter once remarked.

In the conduct of the sport of racing we play a role supplemental to those of the A.J.C. and the S.T.C.; so we like to take a curtain occasionally.

"The Newcastle mob" — to employ a term of affection — were among us, several at the luncheon, and our greetings were as warm as those with which they welcome us.

The Club's Meeting Was Really Tops

Newcastle Jockey Club: Jim McLauchlin (president), Fred Fahey, Dave Mackie (committeemen).

Newcastle Tattersall's Club: Garry Fitzpatrick (chairman), Stan Steggles (committeeman); Brian O'Donnell (secretary).

City Tattersall's Club: W. R. Buxton (chairman); Fred Clarke (secretay).

AT the top table: Chief Secretary Kelly (representing the Premier) who had another engagement, but who arrived later in the afternoon; Works Minister Renshaw; Prices Minister

went for Borgia, although Arthur McCamley had heard that Enzed Doug Webster gave Amber Gem a good chance.

BEFORE that, approaching for enlightenment Club committeemen C. Moore and W. H. Sellen, talking with Senator Armstrong, we were about to pop the question when the group broke up. An advance to F. J. Carberry viewing the betting boards, with A. V. Miller, his fellow-committeeman, cut across our path. Ah, there was Alf Collins; but, blow it, he ans-

RANDWICK had not put on her Spring raiment in flower and bud nor sported the yellow climbing rose that glows in its clinging to the judge's box at Randwick; but Spring was in the air neverthless, her gracious presence pervading human spirit and nature's manifestations. All that and an excitement-packed programme, too.

Landa (bantered good-humoredly for having shortened prices elsewhere); Mines Minister Gollan and Actg.-Minister for Agriculture Nott; Leader of the Opposition Bruxner.

At Secretary Dave Dawson's table we regarded the white carnation worn by Fred Wilson as "an unbeatable certainty"; but, as we should have known, nothing may be so rated on the racecourse. Hardly had the verdict been given when John Roles appeared with a red variety. Photo finish.

Recording the struggle to kick off with a winner: Arthur Mc-Camley and Jack Robinson exchanged views. They agreed Gay Ranick was the pea; but some of us liked the gleams in the eyes of Allan Lewis and his companion, Fred Jones, and we

wered a signal from his son, Des. Remaining were committeemen Over Page



THE TREASURER JOHN ROLES

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Donald Wilson, but we hated to disturb his brooding over his race book, and Ernie Vandenberg, who was far too busy in the ring.

Members of the committee having been washed up, we pursued Lawyer Phil Roach, but he hit up the pace as if racing to lodge an appeal just before closing time; same with Barrister Jack Slattery.

Ah, here it was! Adolph Basser and Mel Lawton communing. Adolph broke away to support Gay Ranick, but we figured that this nag was carrying overweight in ill-luck, so we stuck to the colt with the infamous — historically infamous —monniker, Borgia. "And," as Adam Lindsay Gordon wrote on a notable occasion, "that's how the favorite was beat!"

S.T.C. president Harry Tancred and S.T.C. treasurer Newman Manion stocktaking; flanked by A.J.C. betting boards.

BERT BOWSER'S presence with Club Committeeman George Chiene recalled: Bert laid us the Panacre-Kennequhair double, 250 to 1, for the 1918 Epsom - Metropolitan. Panacre beat Norbery, Epsom favorite, in the Tramway Handicap and our double started at 25 to 1.

In the Epsom, Panacre was fifth and going well before the turn into the straight; and then... His head went into the air; he fell back to 13th, and there remained. Kennequhair won by lengths.

Everybody was glad to meet Reg Inglis, coming back to his old form, accompanied by son John.

A non-regular was commiserating with Joe Harris on the defeat of Prince Morvi. "He ran a great race with 9.5," Joe replied reassuringly. The other put in (confusing the Princes): "Ah, but he would surely have won only for being pocketed in the straight."

Bill Brooks took back greetings from the many to Tom Cook.

In the throng: Bill Rowlandson, Bert Cruttenden, E. A. Westhoff, Jim Kelly, John O'Riordan, Keith Bain, Johnny Ruthven, Harry Smith, Sverre Kaaten (back from overseas), George Lewis, Alton Cusick, Henry Woolfe, Pat Crennan (who won with Compound), Howard Berlyn.

Asher Joel and George Fleming went for Finito.

Bill McIver told that his Sydney Cup winner, Sir Falcon, had

BILL HUGHES, racing writer for the "Sun-Pictorial" (Melbourne) mentioned that Bert Woolfe ("Cardigan") was putting a great fight to regain his health. If good wishes could be compounder into an elixir, Bert should regain his old-time form.

Everyone agreed: Stan Lamond had First Century in wonderful nick to win the Spring Handicap after a great duel with Ace Pilot.

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At his third win as a sixyear-old Delta ran the nine furlongs in 1m. 494s., which is the record. His trainer, Maurice McCarten, says with conviction

BEFORE the Chelmsford Stakes hub-hub had subsided, we strolled along to the Ladies' Stand seeking an opinion from Cynthia, the "Daily Mirror's" mysterious dame. She volunteered: "There is no doubt about it — the hush horse won."

sired several winners in the country.

John Fuller, who in association with his brother Ben in other years had big theatrical interests in N.Z., came along with two N.Z. ladies—one to each arm—in the capacity of guardian and counsellor. They were Miss Kay Rains, a councillor of Davenport, near Auckland, and Mrs. Charlesworth, of Pukikoe, near Auckland, widow of a sportsman who raced horses. The ladies predicted wins by N.Z. horses—ultimately, if not immediately.

Horses can't talk. Just as well, perhaps. Seldom were so many horses blamed by their jockeys for failure. The best of horses have their off days but often no alibis. The best of jockeys have their off days, but some are vocal at post-mortems.

that that day Delta was truly at his greatest.

Rogilla won two Chelmsford Stakes, and he is the only other horse to have had more than the one win.

And recall some of the other winners of the historic race—Phar Lap, Ammon Ra, Gold Rod, Beaulivre, Bernbrook, Columnist. Think too of some who were beaten without ever winning once—Winalot, Nightmarch, Peter Pan, High Caste, Katanga, Hydrogen, Carbon Copy.

Is it any wonder that the Chelmsford Stakes occupies such a high place in the assessment of spring prospects.

No weight-for-age race has a better record of attracting champions.

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Metropolitan Memory

Owner's Lucky No. 19

John Spencer Brunton definitely believed No. 19 was his lucky number. He had reason for that belief.

WHEN Jocelyn — out of Maltine which won the Metropolitan for Mr. Brunton in 1909 — came home for him in 1928, there were 19 horses in the race. But that was not all.

The year Maltine won (1909) added up to nineteen; 19 was the number of (a) Mr. Brunton's race ticket, (b) his motor car, (c) his motor car stall at Randwick. Besides, Maltine was No. 5 in the racebook; so was Jocelyn. Maltine carried 8 st. 4 lb; so did Jocelyn

Every year the A.J.C. alters the colours of the cords to its official tickets. When Mr. Brunton won in 1909 with Maltine the colours were his colours, red and white. In 1928 the cords to the official tickets — 19 years later — were red and white. Maltine was trained by Joe Burton in the same stables owned by Jocelyn's trainer, George Price. Finally, Duncan got off The Pied Piper when it was No. 19 in the official acceptance list, to ride Jocelyn.

Maltine was one of Australasias's greatest racing mares being remembered with such champions as Wakeful, La Carabine, Desert Gold, Cruciform, and Gladsome - but only produced "down-the-liners" at the stud until mated with Jocelyn's sire. Rossendale — and Jocelyn was her last, and best foal. Maltine won the Gimcrack Stakes. Maribyrnong Plate, Plate, Rawson Stakes, Metropolitan, besides several other good races, accounting for £10,000 in stakes, which would be equivalent to £40,000 to-day.

Jocelyn was drawn in a certain big consultation by a principal of the firm of Henderwick, Fookes, and Alston, which had done the legal work for the Brunton family in Victoria since 1856. The same firm looked after the interests of Jocelyn's rider, the Victorian jockey, Duncan.

POST MORTEM

STILL another version of how the good thing was beaten: He was the surest thing, that

borse.

That ever stepped upon a course, The tipster said:—"I tell y' mate You'll hear the crowd yell: Shut th' gate!

It's just a case of puttin' in An' takin' out — he's sure to win."

But when he trailed far from the field,

The tipster fairly stamped and squealed.

I said: "I think I know our fate—

The blinkin' nag has too much wait."

A woman was filling out an accident report. She had dented the fender of a parked car while trying to park her own. One question on the report was: 'What could the operator of the other vehicle have done to avoid the accident?" She wrote: "He could have parked somewhere else."



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Boy Who Rode The Barb

DIED in recent days, Sydney Ernest Marsden Gosper (83), who had the distinction as a small boy of riding The Barb ("The Black Demon") on his father's property, Windsor Farm. The Barb had won the Melbourne Cup and the Sydney Cup twice and was standing as a sire at Windsor Farm.

The old sportsman told me in recent years of the thrill he got when legged up on The Barb by his father, William Gosper, one of the founders of Hawkesbury Racing Club in 1870, and, later, its president. His son,

Sydney, occupied that office in time.

The Gospers worked Windsor Farm for nearly a century. There they had their own private racecourses where horses owned by the Forresters (Melbourne Cup fame) and the Skuthorpes competed. Deaths of Sydney Gosper, of his father and his grandfather — the last named born at Windsor in 1805 — covered three generations, spanning 150 years.

Sydney businessman, Murray Gosper, is a son of Ernest Marsden Gosper.

HURDLERS

DISCUSSING in club footballers who hurdled opponents, W. W. Hill, Harry Tancred and club committeeman A. V. Miller recalled Opie Asher (N.Z.), Charlie White (N.S.W.) and Dally Messenger in his R.U. days. White was a winger for N.S.W. and Australia pre-League.

Messenger turned on his hurdling act against the All Blacks team of 1907 on Sydney Cricket Ground.

Asher, who came here first with the 1903 All Blacks, and played League subsequently, was active until 1918. He made his football appearance in Tarzanuga, was the Boy of Plenty in the North Island of N.Z.

Asher's father was a Jew and his mother a Maori.

Old-timers will recall the duel between Asher and Ogard (representing the Metropolis) in 1907.

BUCKJUMPER

BOBS, outlaw of the Skuthorpe buckjumping show of more than 50 years ago, was referred to by Percy Hunter in his "Daily Mirror" column "Turn of the Century."

Correspondent wrote: one who rode buckjumper Bobs to a standstill was Lance Skuthorpe, who was a member of a rival buckjumping show. Bobs attached to Martini's troupe and the darkie mentioned was an aboriginal named Billy Waite, who was with Martini. Bill - was a splendid rider and the chances are that he could have managed Bobs also. but, of course, that would not have been good for the show business. The Martini people accused Skuthorpe of having hooked his spurs into the girth in order to stay on Bobs. However, Martini, the owner of the buckjumping show of which Bobs was the star performer, would not recognise Skuthorpe's effort because he rode in a buckjump saddle with outsize knee pads. Waite rode the outlaw in an ordinary poley saddle."

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Good Old Strawberry

The humble cow, which provides the milk for our milk and rum, poked her head through the pale of history on the occasion of the Milky Way Exhibition in Sydney. Country members, at least, will be interested in this research, taken from an Exhibition brochure.

N the dim ages of almost 10,000 years ago, there were wild animals whose fossilised bones have been identified as belonging to the ancestors of the modern domestic cow. These beasts were hunted by prehistoric man and in the course of time they became a source of valuable food. The earliest records of the human race were made about 4,000 B.C., and were written in the sacred Hindu language of Sanskrit. Many of the original writings are still preserved in India and some of them record the value of milk as an item of human diet. It was about this period that the first attempts were made to domesticate cattle, and from then onwards they contributed so materially to the food and health of man that the people of Babylon declared them sacred and held them up as objects of worship.

In 2,000 B.C. the Egyptians created a goddess to protect the fertility of the land. She was called Hathor, and the sculptors of the day depicted her with the head of a cow. The Old Testament makes many references to cows and milk; for example, the Promised Land of Canaan is described as "a land flowing with milk and honey."

Since those early days the importance of the cow as a source of food has never diminished over the thousands of years that have passed. In more recent times the settlers on the

"Mayflower", voyaging to the New World, neglected to take with them a single cow, and as a result of this lack of suitable food, particularly milk, one-half of all the settlers and every child under the age of two years died during the first winter.

Milk is now regarded so highly as a health-giving food that in N.S.W. alone there are 969,258 registered dairy cows to supply the needs of the population of 3,482,019 adults and children—or one cow to every 3½ persons.

OLD-TIMER

ARTHUR POSTLE (75), who still holds five world professional sprint records, has informed the president of the S.A. Athletic League (Frank White) that he is training Queensland woman sprinter Norma Crocker for the Olympic Games in Melbourne, reports Achilles.

Frank White, who defeated Postle over 130 yards in the 1912 Maryborough Gift, said that he expected to meet Postle for the first time since this race at a reunion of present and past athletes in Melbourne on November 2.

Postle, who lives at Manly, Queensland, holds the world professional records for 50 yards at 5 1-5 sec., 60 yards at 6 sec., and 80 yards at 7\frac{3}{4} sec.; also the 70 and 75 yards.



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BOXING RECOLLECTIONS

Criqui-Godfrey Crowd

GREATEST crush I ever encountered at a boxing match was when Criqui met Syd Godfrey. If there were 20,000 inside, there were 30,000 outside when I arrived at 8 p.m.

Producing a police pass and explaining that I was on duty, a burly sergeant squeezed me through the mob. By slow and painful process I arrived among the ringside chairs.

Further progress was impossible. People were standing on chairs, blocking every passage. Then a man I did not know came to my rescue. He said: "I paid to get into the ringside and an extra £1 to get this chair to stand on. We'll share it round by round."

I offered to pay my share, but he would not hear of it. The sportsman turned out to be Silver Bryant, bookmaker, whose gifts to charity and the downand-out were unknown until after his death. Peace be with him in the higher abode.

Old-Time Contest

When Frank Slavin fought Jack Burke, "the Irish lad," in Melbourne in the 'eighties, the crush to gain admittance was so great that Lord Douglas—the Marquis of Queensberry then visiting Australia—and Joe Thompson, big bookmaker, were lowered into the building by a rope from the top of the building which they had reached by climbing by a long ladder on the outside.

FREDDIE WELSH, champion boxer, went looking for a manager who had decamped with the purse. Freddie caught up with the fellow in a dive. The man swung a bottle which the boxer deflected and fell to the floor.

They both fell to the floor, struggling. Fragments from the bottle cut off a slice of the manager's ear. He had Freddie arrested on a charge of biting his ear. The case was dismissed, Welsh pleading that he was a vegetarian and didn't eat meat.

THE GREAT French cycling event, Tour de France, is said to have in July enabled shaky ministries to survive, caused strikes to be called off and permitted unpopular legislation to be rushed through without protest.

DIGNITARIES of the Russian Orthodox Church were taken to see the golf championships at St. Andrews.

The baffled churchmen declared: "To our great disappointment we could not understand the rules. Even more we could not understand the obvious interest of the people who were watching it."

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HISTORIC TROPHY

MENTION was made by a newspaper to an event on Hyde Park racecourse in 1810 as "the first Australian race." The A.J.C. was given a silver cup on which is engraved:

Pledge we this Cup,
This first Australian prize.
May each succeeding year the
races bring
Long live the patron.
God save the King.
Won by John Roberts' horse,
Rob Roy, on Hyde Park Racecourse, Sydney, June, 1804.

Old-timer says: "I first saw this old trophy at the homestead of the late Mr. Tom Roberts, son of Rob Roy's owner, Exeter Farm, Braidwood, during Easter, 1888, in circumstances of unforgettable hospitality and humour; and when, some years later, jovial Tom had cracked his last joke and departed to that happy land where the spirits of good horsemen congregate, I wrote to the A.J.C. and suggested that the club endeavour to secure the old Cup. "I remember, indistinctly, hearing later that one of Mr. Roberts' legatees had gracefully complied with the suggestion, and I believe it is now in the club's possession."

MEMBER'S NOTE

Reduced to simple terms, the reason why Australia lost the League ashes was that the French were the better team and played better. Besides, they (the coach) had no counters for the Froggies' shifts and subtleties. I saw only two backs of international class: Holman and Henry. Others were good club standard; no more.

Husband: "I wish I knew what feminine fashions were ten years ago."

Wife: "Just look at me."

SOL GREEN STARTED FROM SCRATCH

SOL GREEN came from England at 17. He confessed: "I travelled from England fourth class because there was no fifth class accommodation. I landed in Australia with nothing beside my personal belongings."

Green earned a living as a dealer, became a bookmaker, began calling the odds spectacularly. In 1907 he laid a bet of £100,000 to £1,000 against the winning Caulfield and Melbourne Cups double—Poseidon and Apologue. To finance his book he put £20,000 himself on Apologue. Not only was it Australia's biggest bet, but the biggest laid and paid in any part of the world.

As a racehorse owner, Sol Green won the Melbourne Cup with Comedy King, two Newmarkets with Gothic, two Futarity Stakes with Gladsome, three classics with Strephon.

He bred horses at Underbank Stud, Bacchus Marsh, and estimated he has spent £60,000 on that property and £60,000 more in buying thoroughbreds.

Not on the turf but in real estate were Green's biggest plunges. He retired from bookmaking in 1913. He owned properties in N.S.W. and Queensland, as well as in Victoria. Sol Green's philanthropy

included £1,000 a year to the Australian Blanket Fund, and the proceeds of his yearling sales and sufficient in addition to make a £5,000 contribution to the London Blanket Fund. His advice to young men on a postwar vocation: "If you want to make money, don't go in for bookmaking. It's too precarious; it's not what it's cracked up to be."

To own two like Gothic and Strephon at the one time was good luck for Sol Green, but even greater fortune favoured him when he made an offer to Harry Taylor, studmaster of Wellington, of £6,000 for Sion and Avant Courier as yearlings. Taylor answered: "Sorry, Sol, but the yearlings have been catalogued; otherwise I would accept your offer." You remember that Avant Courier brought 5,500 guineas at auction, and Sion 4,100 guineas. They were write-offs on the turf.

Said the dresser to the actress: "There's a gentleman at the door who insists on coming in."

"Did you ask for his card?" inquired the star.

"Yes, but he only laughed and tried to kiss me."

"Oh, let him in," said the actress. "That's my husband."

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The Sporting Screen

THE SOUTH AFRICAN lesson taught Australians on the last tour was big forwards and fast backs. Big forwards would always beat little forwards, as would fast backs outdo slow backs. Those words were spoken by Wyly Breckenridge, R.U. president, formerly Australian international forward, at the official reception to the Queenslanders in the Rugby Union Club.

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DISAGREEING with the president's views, in friendly discussion, I suggested that bigness at the cost of mobility had been fatal on occasions within my memory. Then, what of Jimmy Clarken and Tommy Griffen? They were not big in comparative terms — but who were greater in their day? On the League side, there was notably Bert Gray.

Wyly said that "tough" might have expressed his thought better. I suggested that, in his reference to backs, "thrust" might have been more appropriate than "fast". Fast backs are often — probably too often — diagonal runners.

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SHAH OF PERSIA has bought the Irish-bred sire, Inchydoney, a 10-year-old bay horse. A former champion stallion at Dublin Horse Show, he was bought as a voungster by the Department of Agriculture. He was bought last year by A. C. Mumford, who owns the Hannington Stud in England. Inchydoney, who won the King George V Championship Cup, was flown to Teheran recently.

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VETERAN'S recollection: Aboard the flagship, at an Anniversary Day Regatta, so many persons told Bill Beach that thev were proud him as 9 great meet Australian, that the veteran then past the eighty mark might again have heard the ringing cheers of the crowds as he twice showed the way to Hanlan in world-championship tussles. Beach told me: "When we got on the mark, Hanlan said: 'Bill, I'll bet you £100." I said: 'No I don't own £100.' 'Well,' he came back, 'I'll bet you £50.' 'Don't even own that much,' was my response. 'Then,' Hanlan rejoined, 'We'll row for our boats as a side-wager.' 'Hanlan,' I said. I might want my boat to row you again."

Bill Beach laughed as he recalled the result — Hanlan defeated — and proceeded: "Next time that we were on the mark I said: 'Hanlan, I'll row you for £100.' 'No,' he replied. 'Then for £50,' I suggested. 'Not me,' Hanlan laughed. 'Oh, Well,' I came back good-humouredly, 'let's row for our boats.' 'No, Bill,' Hanlan said quietly. 'Then,' I said, 'I'll give you the greatest beating you've ever had.' Next moment we were off, and again I won."

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BEHIND the harsh streak and austerity of John Brown were surprising sentiment and roystering spirit on occasion. Almost had he a dual personality. He could be exceptionally nice and durn nasty; courteous and curt. He survived in his tempestuous sphere because he was of the stern stuff, met steel with cold steel, and, when seemingly beaten, unwound a final thrust. At his best, John Brown was a great spirit, if not always touched by chivalry as a softer, more compromising school interpreted it. One less fearless would have fallen in the storm; he didn't even falter.

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SURVEYING THE SEASON Members and Events

Swimming Club members are cock-a-hoop over their successful 1954-1955 season, and boast that next season, commencing in October, will top the lot.

WITH the exception of the war period, the club has conducted races since 1928. The post-war period has seen it at its best and the popularity of its weekly meets seems to increase with the years.

Enthusiasm is the keynote of the club, which can well boast of its amateur spirit for trophies are few and pot hunting unknown. Yet the interest and keen competition for the few trophies might lead an onlooker to think that the swimmers were contesting events for hundreds of pounds.

There is nothing like the relaxation from business cares which attends these weekly gettogethers and it is no wonder that it takes a lot to keep the boys away from the Pool on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

During the 1954-1955 season 38 events were contested, in which 55 swimmers competed.

In all, 258 races, heats and finals were run off and it is a tribute to the racing officials that they were finished before 1.30 p.m. each day, giving the swimmers plenty of time to have a bite of lunch on the side of the Pool before returning to toil.

Average number of starters per event was 25, and the winning brackets were well distributed, 49 members winning heats and 30 taking finals.

Handicapping, in the capable hands of Jack Gunton, provided camera finishes almost without exception. Perhaps the best tribute to the handicapper was the fact that there were 30 dead-heats for first in heats and five in finals, while on one unforgettable occasion the judges declared a tie among three swimmers for first place in a heat.

Winner of the "Native Son" Trophy for most points gained during the season was Geoff Laforest from Fred Harvie and Harold Herman, and the records of the two first-named were indicative of the close tussle they had for the trophy.

Laforest won 19 heats and was placed first in finals five times, second seven times and third four times. Harvie's figures were 19-5-6-5 respectively.

Others well up in heat wins were Bob Harris 14, Stewart Murray 13, Harold Herman 12, Peter Lindsay 12, Leigh Bowes 11, Frank Muller 11, Cuth Godhard 10, Arthur Allsop 9, Ralph Corrick 9, Fred Daly 9.

The Finals

Most finals were won by Fred Harvie, Geoff Laforest, Ralph Corrick and Jack Shaffran, five each, while Col Bowes, Fred, Daly and Clive Hoole all won four and Cuth Godhard, Harold Herman, Bob Harris, Carl Phillips and Viv Thicknesse won three each.

Most prolific dead-heater for first was Geoff Laforest, who was in eight, followed by Col Bowes 5, Bob Harris, Godhard, Muller, Murray, and Lawrie Trafford three each.

Hermann, Muller and Harvie were the star starters, only missing one event each, Laforest and Hoole missing two, Harvie three, Lindsay four, and Godhard and R. Harris five.

Winners of the monthly Point Scores were: Herman, Muller, Corrick, Thicknesse and R. Harris ties, Laforest (two), Allcop, Hoole and Shaffran, whilst Lindsay scored a second and a third and Murray a third and a tie for third.

Thanks to the Club members who helped so much towards success of the season by presenting trophies: Bill Kirwan ("Native Son" Trophies), Alf C o l l i n s (Championship (Trophies), Clive Hoole and Arthur McCamley (Monthly Trophies), Cuth Godhard and Harry Davis.

Without the enthusiasm and hard work of officials Sam Block and Jack Gunton, the races and functions could not have gone on as swimmingly as they did, and members give them their thanks.



"WINOOKA" TROPHY SURVEY

GEOFF Eastment-Bruce Chiene game provided a most interesting contest and resulted in a win for Geoff 41-35. However, if Bruce were to take handball seriously, he would be a "good thing" to win a handicap competition or a minor grade championship.

Ken Francis is the man to watch in this event and is our tip for the winner. Ken played Clarrie Woodfield and had a very comfortable win. In the second round, he played Peter Williams, who is rated as one of our brightest prospects. Ken won easily 41-26.

Neil Barrell played twice in one day. Firstly he played Frank Muller and won 41-33. Frank was having his first competition game and, being really nervous, did not settle down. Neil immediately played against brother Trevor and had a much harder game—winner by 41-39, he had many anxious moments. Trevor surprised with his tenacity and, although he lost, had luck been on his side could quite easily have won.

Zaide Lazarus and Bill Phillips had a ding-dong game, Zaide won 41-37 after a hard struggle. Bill has made very good progress and should have a nice victory in the future, if he will only practice a little more. Eric Thompson umpired the game.

Bill Kirwan defeated Allan Stewart 41-38, and at one stage seemed almost certain to lose. However, the fighting Kirwan spirit prevailed and a sustained effort was more than Allan could withstand. As a result, Bill won with a couple of points in hand.

At His Top

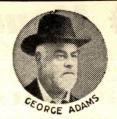
Peter Lindsay was at his top to defeat Eric Thompson 41-32. Peter also defeated Ron Spencer in the second round 41-31.

George McGilvray had an easy victory over Gordon Boulton, 41-30. George played at his peak until he was in a safe position and then coasted in to an easy victory. Gordon was not seen at his best and made too many errors, thereby aiding George. Since defeating Gordon George managed to win from Fred Daly 41-33.

Our Handballers are a versatile lot of chaps. Neil Barrell was a competitor in this year's "Redex Trial" with two companions.

We are back in the money again with Horse Racing: Sid Lorking was successful with Seacraft, and was unlucky to be second to Advocate next start. Pat Crennan won with Compound.

Ask Clive Hoole, John Shaffran, Peter Lindsay and Arthur McCamley about Bill Kirwan's prowess as a racing tipster. Bill had a certainty at Hawkesbury recently which came "undone."



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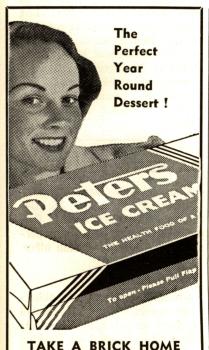
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Results: Miller, Frant, Proud, Bailey, R.A.C.A. 16; J. Fuller, A. Gillespie, R. Spencer, G. Booth, Tattersalls 16; B. Baris, F. Kenny, Chester, L. Church, R.A.C.A. 6; H. Jones, E. Abbot, L. Williams, J. Pick, Tattersalls 36; W. Fox. G. Graham, N. Frisk, C. Henderson, R.A.C.A. 19; W. Ditfort, G. Lewis, F. Ahearn, A. Butler, Tattersalls 23; R. Haddock, T. Reneson, B. Hogarth, Dr. Berge, R.A.C.A. 25; J. O'Brien, F. Empson, F. Vockler, E. A. Davis, Tattersalls 20.

It was predicted that Gordon Booth would soon hoist the No. 1 flag in the "Triples Competition" after running second in five consecutive occasions. He had the satisfaction of leading his team to victory; a popular win.

It is rumoured that Mel Watson has put his golf sticks away and Harry Davis and Jack Shaffron are more than interested in the game, and soon will be throwing out a challenge on behalf of the boys on the third floor. Reg Hastings and Jack Davis are frequent visitors to Double Bay and showing excellent form.

The chairman of selectors, Ken Williams, is on his mettle with the big roll-up of members, especially on a Thursday, and would like members to put their name on the board as early as possible.

It has been suggested that

in addition to the Pairs Knockout Competition a Triples Competition be conducted on similar lines. Busy Hon. Secretary, Alex Buckle is giving it serious thought. To relieve him of strain it would be a good idea if a competitions committee were formed.

As we go to press, the election of office bearers for the ensuing year is taking place and the list will be published next issue.

ADMIRALS' RACE

SIR DUDLEY de CHAIR, when Governor of N.S.W., sailed a challenge yacht race on Sydney Harbour against Lord Jellicoe when the Admiral of Jutland was Governor General of N.Z.

Lord Jellicoe — averse from publicity, as was his yachting rival — suggested: "We'll have a quiet race." Said Sir Dudley: "Oh, quaite". But, when they arrived at the starting line, several other yachts were discovered awaiting the fall of the flag.

That fact did not deter either vice-regal skipper; rather made each more eager to win in an open race. Reported: Sir Dudley: "I beat Lord Jellicoe; but the two Admirals finished last and second last respectively. In view of the possibility of future controversy, I had taken the precaution to have a photographer present on a launch. He snapped a picture of the finish between Lord Jellicoe and myself."

WILLIAM G. ROBSON, elevated to the presidency of Otis Elevator Co. Ltd., Canada, is a member of this club, and for more than 28 years has served Otis around the world in capacities ranging from wireman to Vice President.

Born November 21, 1900 in Windsor, Nova Scotia, Mr. Robson received his B.S.E.E. degree from the University of Manitoba in 1924. After two years with Canadian Westinghouse, started his Otis career as a construction Wireman in Winnipeg. In 1927 he became a Student in Yonkers, moved to Detroit Sales, and from there to Estimating in Hamilton. He then was assigned to Special Projects in the Hamilton Works for five years until 1935, when he was appointed Works Manager in Sydney, Australia.

Mr. Robson was elected Chairman and Managing Director of Otis Elevator Co., Pty. Ltd. (Australia) in 1944. He returned to the United States in April of 1953 to become Far Eastern Regional Manager for the International division, and three months later returned to Canada as Vice President of "Canadian Otis."

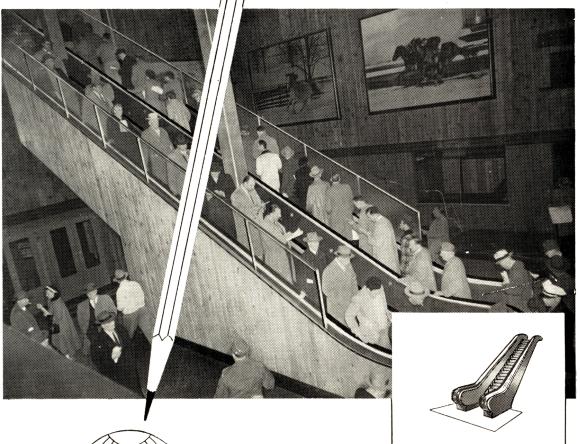
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